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CONFIRMATION NO. 7996

In re Application of : Christian GANCET, et al.
Serial No. : 09/701,681
Filed : December 1, 2000
Group Art Unit : 1751
Examine : Brian P. Mruk
For : POLYACRYLATES WITH IMPROVED BIODEGRADABILITY

PETITION TO WITHDRAW FROM ISSUE UNDER 37 CFR §1.313(c)(2)

Commissioner for Patents
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► ► Attn: Ms. Frances Hicks

Madam:

This Petition is very **urgent**. It is filed in triplicate.

The above-identified application has been allowed and is scheduled to be issued on July 27, 2004 as U.S. Patent No. 6,767,885.

The Applicants and the undersigned hereby request that the application be withdrawn from issue.

Withdrawal from issue is required in order to obtain entry and consideration of an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) that cites four Japanese references and submits English-language translations thereof. The references were cited in a Japanese Patent Office Action issued in Applicants' counterpart Japanese application. This Petition, therefore, is accompanied by a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR §1.114 with the requisite fee and the aforementioned IDS as the requisite "submission."

This Petition also is accompanied by its own requisite petition fee of \$130.

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Our check in the amount of \$900 is attached to cover the fees corresponding to this Petition (\$130) and the filing of the aforementioned RCE (\$770). If any additional fees are required, please notify the undersigned attorney by telephone and charge the additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-4300.

Respectfully submitted,

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